



Principal's Wednesday Letter

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Prayers and Acknowledgments

We thank the Men's Club for sponsoring Saturday's St. Patrick's Dinner Dance. Reservation form can be downloaded from the school website. This benefits our school athletics program. Let's have a good attendance and raise our spirits to St. Patrick. For one day of the year we are all Irish.

Monday, March 17 is a 12:35 dismissal day. Hot lunch will not be provided. Please send a lunch if your child is going to Extended Care. Extended Care payments are due by Monday, March 17. Payments received after Monday will be charged a late fee.

2008-09 Re-registration deadline is Friday March, 14

Please be punctual in completing re-registration. There is a non-refundable fee of \$285.00 per child. We tested qualified students March 3. After March 14, we will fill in roster slots in each of the classes. We expect and hope to see each and every child return. We have a wonderful community here, and we are making plans for another great year next year. We want you to be a part of it. Thank you. It continues to be a pleasure serving our St. Dunstan School and Parish community.

International Food Festival Notes

- Updated information on the food festival will be sent home in a hard copy on Friday. Please review and volunteer! A **summary of the committees and contact numbers**, as well as answers to questions most often asked regarding the festival will be provided.
- Randall Lum and Katherine Ingargiola are asking for **donations of toys and games for the children's room** at the Food Festival. Please refer to the flyer included in Friday's hard copy as well as on the website.
- If anyone has personal contacts with local businesses, or if parents would like to **donate to this year's IFF silent auction**, please have them contact Katia Mendoza @ 650-342-4951. An informational flyer will be mailed home today.

Basketball Uniform Return Date

Basketball uniforms are to be returned by respective coaches Thursday, March 13 @ 7:00pm in the dungeon area under the parish. No children are allowed, only coaches. Uniforms must be clean and in good shape. Thank you.



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Important Reminders:

- We need **lunchtime volunteers!** Easy service hours. Please consider helping us.
- We are still collecting **Campbell Soup Labels**. We need to get 500 more points to purchase school-related items.
- Students may not change out of their uniforms at the end of the day in the front office bathroom, unless they are preparing for track practice.

Kiss the Frog Contest

Our annual Kiss the Frog contest begins March 6 and ends on March 14 and is sponsored by Student Council. All money raised will help purchase stamps for Madonna House, a homeless shelter for women. Teachers' frogs will be placed in the 4th grade at recess, lunch, and after school. The teacher with the most money will be "elected" to kiss the frog. Your principal is eligible as well.

Financial Aid [Archdiocesan Family Grants, Basic Fund and Guardsmen Scholarships]

Families who have previously received financial aid from the Archdiocese or wish to do so, need to get an application from the school office. The application must be postmarked no later than April 15, 2008. *Basic Fund* renewal forms for 2008-09 must be completed and/or updated for families wishing to renew their status. The renewal form, for the Basic Scholarship, will be mailed to families. Please contact Mrs. Cordova, assistant bookkeeper, if you have any questions. Also, families of students entering grades K-6 may pick up an application for a *Guardsmen Scholarship* from Mrs. Cordova. Current income criteria can be found at www.fns.usda.gov/fns/default.htm. The application deadline for the 2008-09 school year is April 15, 2008.

Talent Show

Please note that participants must arrive at 4:30 pm for practice. Children coming prior to 4:30 pm for practice will not be allowed into the Parish Center until Mrs. Koehler arrives. Practices will be Mondays [March 17 and 31] and Fridays [March 14 and April 4] from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm in the Parish Center. Dress rehearsals will be Monday, April 7 and Wednesday, April 9 with time TBA. The Talent Show will be Friday, April 11, starting at 7:00 pm. Thank you to Mrs. Tracy Koehler for coordinating this event.

As we acknowledge the "Wisdom of the Cross" let us reflect on the meaning of Palm Sunday. Thanks for all you do. Each of you is a gift. Blessings to one and to all.

Sincerely in Christ,

Dr. Bruce Colville, Principal